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Argentina*, Australia, Belarus, Bulgaria, Canada*, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Denmark*, Finland, Germany*, Israel*, Italy, Netherlands, New Zealand*, Portugal*, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Spain, Sweden*, Thailand, United Republic of Tanzania*, Venezuela and Zambia: draft resolution

Elimination of violence against women

The Commission on the Status of Women,

Welcoming the adoption by the General Assembly of the Declaration on the Elimination of Violence against Women in its resolution 48/104 of 20 December 1993,

Recognizing that the effective implementation of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women 1/ will contribute to the elimination of violence against women and that the Declaration on the Elimination of Violence against Women strengthens and complements this process,

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* In accordance with rule 69 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council.

1/ General Assembly resolution 34/180.

Also welcoming the decision of the Commission on Human Rights at its fiftieth session to appoint, for a three-year period, a Special Rapporteur on Violence against Women, including its causes and its consequences, 2/

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General containing the conclusions and recommendations of the Expert Group Meeting on Measures to Eradicate Violence against Women, 3/ held in New Brunswick, New Jersey, in October 1993,

1. Calls upon all Governments, as well as intergovernmental bodies and non-governmental organizations, to take all possible steps to fully implement the Declaration on the Elimination of Violence against Women, to disseminate information on it and to promote its understanding;

2. Expresses its appreciation of the decision of the Commission on Human Rights at its fiftieth session to appoint a Special Rapporteur on Violence against Women, including its causes and consequences; 2/

3. Urges all Governments to cooperate with and assist the Special Rapporteur in the performance of her tasks and duties and to furnish all information requested;

4. Invites the Special Rapporteur to cooperate closely with the Commission on the Status of Women in the discharge of its functions;

5. Requests the Secretary-General to ensure that the reports of the Special Rapporteur are brought to the attention of the Commission on the Status of Women as a source of information for its monitoring role and recommendations on policy, and specifically for its review and appraisal of the implementation of the Declaration, which should be presented at the Fourth World Conference on Women;

6. Also requests the Secretary-General to ensure that the Special Rapporteur can attend the meetings of the Commission on the Status of Women, the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women and relevant United Nations conferences, especially the Fourth World Conference on Women;

7. Urges the Secretary-General in cooperation with the Special Rapporteur, to give publicity to the Rapporteur's work and to disseminate the Rapporteur's findings and conclusions widely;

2/ E/CN.4/1994/L.8/Rev.1.

3/ E/CN.6/1994/4.

8. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the Commission at its thirty-ninth session on the activities of the United Nations bodies and institutions concerned with crime prevention with regard to the question of violence against women;

9. Decides to remain seized of the question of violence against women.